GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
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HIGH CONSUMPTION NORMS OF DEXTRO-PROPOXYPHEN
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Workhardt has been given high consumption norms and high price of intermediates used to produce the bulk drug Dextropropoxyphen Hydrochloride;

(b) whether some officers of National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA) visited these companies to verify the records, and

(c) if so, the outcome thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS & MINISTER OF STEEL (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN)

(a) to (c) NPPA fixed consumption norms in 2004 for the bulk drug Dextropropoxyphen Hydrochloride consistent with its past practice, without deviation. Since Wockhardt produces the bulk drug from the basic stage, the question of giving high price for intermediates does not arise. To verify the data submitted by the company, officers of the NPPA visited M/s. Wockhardt in November 2003 and May 2004.